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April 7, 1876.

## "THE BOYS."

BY MON. WENDELL HOLMES.

Are we "the boys" that used to make the tables ring with noisy follies? Whose deep-lung'd laughter oft would shake

The ceiling with its thunder-volleys?

Are we the youths with lips unshorn, At beauty's feet unwrinkled suitors, Whose memories reach traditions morn—

The days of pre-historic tutors?

"The boys" we knew—but who are these Whose heads might serve for Plutarch's

Of Foxe's martyrs, if you please, Or hermits of the dismal ages?

"The boys" we know—can these be those? Their cheeks with morning's blush were

Where are the Harry's, Jims and Joes Whom we once were well acquainted?

If we are they, we are not the same; If they are we, why, then they're

masking; Do tell us, neighbor, What's your name, What are you?—What's the use of asking?

You once were George, or Bill, or Ben; There's you, yourself—there's you, that

other; I know you now—I know you then— You used to be your younger brother!

LETTER FROM LITTLE COLORADO.

SPRINGVILLE, YAVAPAI CO., A. T., May 10th, 1876.

EDITOR MINER:—To-day is the grand opening of the Centennial Exhibition.

How many of all the world's population who are alive to-day will live to see the 10th of May, 1976? Echo answers, *Nix!* I might

imitate a certain Persian monarch, by dropping a crocodile tear or two over the

thought,—in fact, would outdo that gentleman in the matter of tears—being an

American citizen—by shedding a gallon or so; but I am deterred by my fellow citizens, who might possibly misconstrue my

motives, and maliciously hint that I was "piling on the agony a little." Even this

would not deter me from spilling a quart or two, but only the fact, that all prophecy a

dry year, and it would be criminal on my part to waste any water in useless lamentations.

We have a new town, as you will see by the heading of this letter. I will say here

by way of parenthesis: How easy it is to build a town; all that is (apparently) necessary

is to "stick your stake" and draw up a plot with blocks, lots and public squares in

regular order, when, *Presto!* you have a town. The only thing that troubles my

mind just now in regard to this town,—and I am losing hours of sleep in thinking

about it—it is not asking too much, please answer through the columns of your

paper, (questions of less vital importance are asked and answered daily through the

large city papers), is whether in making a map of the new town, which would be the

most appropriate thing: to have a railroad running full-tilt through the centre of the

town, or to have "high" or "low-pressure" steamboats running down the river to the

Gulf of California, and to connect with ocean vessels at the mouth of the Big Colorado?

Please answer the above question, as perhaps, the whole future prosperity of the (future) city of Springville hangs, as it

were, upon your reply.

Mr. Henry Springer, one of the heaviest wholesale and retail merchants in New

Mexico, has put up a store room 30x60 feet, and has already upon his shelves \$10,000

worth of goods. He has sent to Albuquerque, his principal place of business, for

another supply of goods, which will, he expects, be here by the last of the present

month. Altogether, his stock of goods looks well and would do credit to any town out-

side of Prescott or Tucson. Undoubtedly Mr. Springer "means business, talks business,"

and hereafter it is "Springer's business."

Mr. J. W. O'Neil is putting up a large building to be used as a billiard hall, bar-

room and dance-hall.

The people in Round Valley will be planted by the 15th of June 75,000 lbs. bar-

ley. Some persons who have a turn for statistics might figure a little on this, and find

out about how much grain will be raised in all this country round about. The farmers

of Round Valley calculate that barley will yield 1,000 to the 100 pounds of seed. Beside

this, they are planting large quantities of wheat and corn; also, plenty of "gar-

den sass." It must be borne in mind, that this does not include the St. Johns or Co-

nocho settlements, nor Mineral Springs, Simons, Cooley's, Horsehead and other places.

If Joseph has any brethren in your section, and said brethren are in need of corn,

please send them to Mr. Henry Springer, of Springville, Yavapai Co., A. T., and they

will be accommodated, as Mr. Springer has contracted for all the grain (to be) raised in

Round Valley this year. St. Johns and the Concho settlements have planted 20,000 lbs.

of barley; Peter Moore, 10,000 lbs.; Cooley & Clark, 15,000 lbs.; Stinson, & Co., 15,000

pounds; and Horsehead and the Mormon settlements will plow a considerable amount

this year. This reminds me of the Mor-

mons, and a word or two about them may not be "amiss," it being against the tenets

of the Church to allow them to remain "a Miss" very long. There are, perhaps, be-

tween 200 and 300 Mormons settled upon the Rio Colorado Chiquito. They will

plow about 1,000 acres this year, and have already set out nearly 20 acres of fruit trees.

The "head men of the tribe" say they will put up a steam saw-mill and grist-mill this

Fall. I should judge from the way they

have started in, that they intend to "stick" and make permanent homes in Arizona.

Mr. Marrio Barth, who has just returned from Camp Apache, reports that the body of

a white man was found about 11 miles North of Apache, near the wagon road.

From appearances, the man was shot through the head and dragged some distance and left among the rocks. There is

no denying the fact although these Indians at Apache have been friendly and on

the "peace tact" for sometime, yet for a perfect stranger to go through this country

alone, he runs great chances of being killed, especially if the Apaches know him to be

a stranger. As for myself, I would have no fears either day or night to go anywhere on

the Reservation or off of it; but as I say, a stranger's chances are slim.

For fear this letter gets too long, I will close with a few remarks about taxes, their

collection, duties of Sheriff, etc.; etc. A few days ago, while at Camp Apache, I met

my old friend, John H. Behan,—at present taking the census of the County,—and at

his request, took a short trip around the country with him. I knew there were

thousands of sheep in this part of the country; but I was really astonished to find so

many—double or treble the number that I had expected. It would be safe to put the

number of sheep in all this section, at 300,000 head; and it would be just as safe to

say that not more than one-fourth of that number have been assessed or will pay

taxes this year. This is all wrong. They should be forced to pay their portion of the

taxes. A great many complain of the high taxes in this County; this would not be so

if the Sheriff did his duty in the way of collecting the tax. What better way to re-

duce the taxes than by compelling all to pay? Would not this lessen the taxes upon

all the tax-payers in the County? Undoubtedly it would. Then, whose duty is it to

see that this tax is paid; is it the Sheriff, or the Board of Supervisors? If the tax is \$2.25

upon each \$100 worth of taxable property within the County, and only about two-thirds

of said property assessed, is it not plain enough, that if all the property was

assessed and made to pay taxes, that it would reduce the taxes in the County over

one-half? This is my way of thinking, at least. I may be wrong. The deputy sheriff

for this district tells me he only received 75 poll-tax receipts for this entire

section of county,—not enough for Camp Apache and Round Valley—whereas he

ought to have had at least 300, and if he complied with the law, it would require

400 or 500.

Unless some arrangement is made whereby the qualified voters of this section can

vote, they will be allowed to vote "poll-tax" or "no poll-tax," "register" or "no

register." It will not be any fault of the people if they do not pay their poll-tax.

By the way, is Clifton to be left out of the programme this year? They must think so

ere this. They say that no County official ever finds his way to that sequestered spot,

not even the Assessor, which is a fact that ought to be put on record. However,